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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: EFIN. GW

SUBJECT: EMMINGER ON EC MONETARY DEVELOPMENTS

- 1. BUNDESBANK VICE PRESIDENT EMMINGER IN A CON-VERSATION WITH THE FINANCIAL ATTACHE STRESSED THAT THE BUNDESBANK CONTINUES TO BELIEVE IT TO BE DESIRABLE THAT BOTH THE UK AND ITALY SHOULD STAY OUT OF THE EC SNAKE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE. ACCORDING TO EMMINGER, THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT FULLY SHARES THIS VIEW AND IS OPPOSED TO RECENT EC AND FRENCH VIEWS TO THE CONTRARY. EMMINGER FELT THAT LUCKILY CARLI IS SUFFICIENTLY OPPOSED TO THE SNAKE TO MAKE UNLIKELY AN ITALIAN ATTEMPT TO JOIN IT PREMATURELY.
- 2. EMMINGER FELT THAT THE EC SNAKE HAD ASSUMED SUCH POLITICAL IMPORTANCE THAT THE DM HAD TO STICK WITH IT EVEN IF NEW STRAINS SHOULD DEVELOP (WHICH HE, HOWEVER, DID NOT FORESEE IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE). BUT THE FRG ACCORDING TO EMMINGER COULD NOT ACCEPT RENEWED LARGE MONEY INFLOWS AND SHOULD THIS OCCUR WOULD HAVE TO REVALUE AGAIN WITHIN THE SNAKE.
- 3. EMMINGER WAS VERY UNENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT CONFIDENTIAL

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THE RESERVE POOLING PROPOSED BY THE EC COMMISSION.

HE CHARACTERIZED IT AS ONLY ANOTHER WAY OF EXTENDING CREDIT LINES AND OBSERVED THAT THIS FAILED TO ADDRESS THE MAIN PROBLEM WHICH WAS NOT THE LACK OF FACILITIES TO EXTEND CREDIT BUT RATHER THE INFLATIONARY IMPACT ON THE CREDITOR COUNTRY IF ITS CREDIT WAS USED. CASH

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